Communal violence in States

1009. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the various communal riots in various parts of the country, Centre has sought reports from States on communal violence;

(b) if so, whether Centre has imposed a ban on organization who indulge in communal violence;

(c) if so, which are the organizations that have been banned and whether some more organizations which are creating violence are being banned; and

(d) the other steps to check communal violence which have been increasing day-by-day?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government constantly monitors the communal situation in the country. The Government, from time to time, has been seeking reports from State Governments on various organisations who are posing threat to secular fabric of the country. The activities of all such organisations are also under constant watch of the law enforcement agencies. The Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) and the Deendar Anjuman are two such organisations which have been declared as unlawful associations under the Unlawful activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

(d) To maintain communal harmony in the country, the Central Government assists the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in a variety of ways like sharing of intelligence, sending alert messages, in the modernization of the State Police Forces, sending Central para-military Forces to the concerned State Governments on specific request including the composite Rapid Action Force which has been created specially to deal with communal situations. In addition, the Union Government sends advisories and Guidelines in this regard from time to time.

The Central Government has also introduced a Bill titled 'The Communal Violence (Prevention, Control and Rehabilitation of Victims) Bill, 2005' in Rajya Sabha to address various aspects of the issue of communal violence. The Central Government has also circulated revised Guidelines to promote communal harmony in the month of June, 2008 to the States and Union Territories.

Negotiations with the insurgency leaders of NER

1010. SHRI BISWAJIT DAIMARY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken for negotiations with the insurgency leaders of North Eastern Region (NER) alongwith names of the insurgency groups since last five years;

(b) the provisions and arrangements made for peace process in NER especially in Assam being a gateway of NER and biggest State of the region;